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METHOD FOR CORRELATING JOB-STEP OR EXECUTION-PROCESS INFORMATION WITH CORRESPONDING SOFTWARE LICENSING INFORMATION

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A software processing method enhances the functionality of job-step, charge-back systems by providing accurate charge-backs based on cognizance of software products actually being used. In the invention, a license manager operating directly or via a plurality of agents interfaces with software clients and/or process-data collectors to correlate the process-related information with the software product use information.